

Dear Laura,

I am writing regarding the draft PSP for DWR's Water-Energy Grant. I would like to register American Rivers' concerns about the use of the CalEnviroScreen 2.0 Tool in assessing Disadvantaged Communities for the purpose of the grant. By using this tool, seriously disadvantaged communities in the Sierra Nevada region and headwaters regions in general cannot be considered as a DAC. This puts these key regions at an unfair disadvantage when applying for grant funds like the Water-Energy grant. We urge instead that you use the DAC status determined based on the DAC definition provided in DWR's Proposition 84 and 1E IRWM [Guidelines](#), dated August, 2010.

Thank you,

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